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Mr. William A. Sody Special Assistant to the Secretary of State Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Midy:

Reference is made to your letter of 13 May 1847 regarding the release of Mr. Ference Liebr Smille-from this against to permit his rature to the Office of Foreign Jurvice.

Te are fully aware of the need for experienced officers in the expended methetities of the foreign foreign and do not feel justified, under the simulateness, to ask for the retainion of Mr. Hurdle in his present assignment, forever, we do desire to express our appreciation to the lapartment of State and to Mr. Huddle for the excellent assistants provided in establishing a new effice.

As the first Assistant Director for seperts and Estimates, Mr. dualle has carried the land implient to the initial organization of our most important office. In make of personnel and space hand-cape, the Office of Separts and originates has been developed in an orderly and efficient separt under his juicance.

On the occasion of his recell to the activities of the Office of Foreigh Sarvice, this Agency wishes Er. Swille continued success in the field to migh he has devoted so many years of service to his government.

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